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REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.102

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This patent application has been published on September 23, 2004 (Publication number 2004-0182666). Recently Applicants noticed that the same handle design disclosed in the published application has been sold by other luggage vendors in the US market, for example, the luggage, the Router Wheeled Laptop Convertible sold by eBags (SKU-EB2066-19W, please see attached copy of the ad from eBags). The undersigned attorney has compared the handle of the eBags product with Applicants' application, it is unquestionable that the handle design of the eBags product would infringe the current application if a patent has been granted to the current application. Furthermore, through a careful search, the undersigned attorney didn't find any prior art that has the similar design of the current application. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that make the current application a special case according to 37 C.F.R. §1.102.

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Designer Notes

We built the Router with the best features available. Side-load laptop storage for quick access and total isolation from the bag's contents, a huge main compartment for text books, an efficient organizer section plus clever pockets in all the right places. Majeau, Product Design Manager

Product Features

Material:	2520 denier 2-Tone Nylon 840 denier Body Nylon
Size:	19.5" x 14" x 12"
Fits laptops:	13.37" x 11.5" x 2" Will my laptop fit?
Comments:	Handle height when fully extended: 43"
Linear inches:	45.5"
Weight:	8 lbs , 5 oz
Warranty:	Lifetime guarantee against defects in materials and workmanship



- Mono-pole handle extends to 43" for reduced heel-kicking. The handle locks in place when fully extended, allowing you to PUSH as well as pull
- When fully retracted, the handle zips away into a hide-away pocket
- No space is wasted on the Router - on either side of the mono-pole handle are zippered shoulder pockets. Perfect for network cables, AC adapter, compact umbrella, etc. 17"h x 5.5"w x 1.25"d
- Side-load Laptop compartment for fast access - 13.375" tall opening with lots of padding built in, plus removable pillows that are individually adjustable in thickness for smaller notebooks
- Diagonally offset zippered main compartment for easy access to your books. 17.5"h x 13.5"w x 5.5"d plus a 10.5"w x 7"h slash pocket
- Full featured organizer compartment has pen pockets, zippered pocket for misc. items, zippered mesh pocket, an I.D. pocket and a key leash clip
- Inside the organizer compartment, you'll find a fleece-lined pouch pocket for your cell phone plus another open-top pocket for your PDA
- Zippered front pocket measures 12.75" tall, 9.5" wide
- On one of the bottom corners, you will find a zippered padded pouch pocket - perfect for a PDA or Cell phone
- On the other bottom corner, you'll find a zippered pouch pocket with a drop-bottom mesh pocket - perfect for bottled water or soda
- Unzip the back cover to reveal S-curved Airmesh padded shoulder straps - adjustable from 16" to 32"
- When used as a backpack, the back panel folds down and around the bottom to cover the wheels keeping your back clean
- High-visibility orange nylon lining makes finding your stuff a lot easier
- High contrast 2-Tone nylon exterior is a cross-weave of brilliant color and black
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- Contoured fabric grab handle
- Self-repairing coil zippers have pullers that use photo-reflective sport cords for nighttime safety

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Date Posted: September 17, 2006
Reviewed By: Anonymous Customer from Elizabethtown, KY

"This bag is really convenient, especially with my laptop being so accessible while traveling through airports."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)

- Frequency of Use: **A Few Times**
- Generally Used For: **Business T**
- Occupation: **Business or Finan**
- Gender **Female**



Date Posted: April 14, 2006
Reviewed By: Joyce from Singapore

9 of 9 people found the following review helpful.

"I travel about three to five days - typically once to twice a month within Asia. I was looking for a bag that i could take as a carry-on, and a big plus if it can fit below the airline seat. Although the bag is very well constructed and looks great, i was disapointed with the storage organization cos it didnt fit my special requirements. When fully loaded, the bag becomes too "fat" - on the smaller planes, you need to squeeze it into the overhead compartments and it cant fit under the seat in front. (By fully loaded, i mean one computer, two to three change of clothes, toiletries and half an inch of paperwork) I think the problem is that the computer compartment is too well padded - and takes up too much precious space. The protection is great if you are checking in - but this is a carry-on and wont be knocked around. (I am contemplating taking out the padding). The side pouches are not big enough - its no bigger than the size of my hand, and you can only fit a couple of small items. The main compartment is wider at the base of the bag. But this means the bag gets 'fatter' as you load it up. The bag needs to be more streamline. Its a great looking bag and i have to admit that i do have specific requirements which may not be norm."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)

- Frequency of Use: **Monthly**
- Generally Used For: **Business T**
- Occupation: **Business or Finan**
- Gender **Female**



Date Posted: June 8, 2006
Reviewed By: Anonymous Customer from Coral Springs, FL

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful.

"Although this bag was more than double the weight of the previous one purchased for my laptop-carrying sixth-grader, it proved to be the better bag. This bag fit all of the texts, supplies, laptop, and umbrella without a hitch. It also took a beating without deteriorating. My child's first bag had large holes in it by winter break, while this replacement made it through

- Frequency of Use: **Several Tim**
- Generally Used For: **School**
- Occupation: **Student**
- Gender **Female**

the rest of the school year without being worn at all. The extra weight is only noticed when lifting it in and out of the car--a small price to pay when everything needed can fit inside the bag. I would buy another when the time comes. It was worth the higher price and extra weight."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)



Date Posted: April 25, 2006

Reviewed By: Anonymous Customer from Vicksburg, MS

6 of 6 people found the following review helpful.

"The bag was of excellent quality and had great organization features. I loved the side load for the laptop. However, I travel commuter planes and this bag is too thick to fit in the overhead and too long for under the seat. I ended up returning it."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)

- Frequency of Use: **A Few Times**
- Generally Used For: **Business T**
- Occupation: **Executive/Manag**
- Gender **Female**



Date Posted: June 6, 2006

Reviewed By: Anonymous Customer from Sunnyvale, CA

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful.

"Too big and bulky. To wear it as a backpack I look like I am ready to go hiking for with a weeks worth of supplies. It is too cumbersome to use as a rolling bag when I am also pulling my suitcase. I've parked it in my storage closet and will probably give it away."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)

- Frequency of Use: **A Few Times**
- Generally Used For: **Business T**
- Occupation: **Business or Finan**
- Gender **Female**



Date Posted: July 12, 2006

Reviewed By: Kailey from Mount Juliet, TN

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful.

"Well built for durability, with lots of storage pockets, this bag wastes no space and I anticipate it will last for years. I have looked at and researched every bag out there. This one is superior. I bought one for my niece for graduation and liked it so much, I got myself one also. It is easy to organize cords and accessories. There is a pocket with dividers for pens, phone, keys, etc. The main center section could stand to have another sub-pocket or two, or an alternate divider as things tend to migrate to the bottom. The conversion from pull along to backpack is quick and easy and the handle stows neatly away in a zippered pocket. The shoulder straps are placed well and are comfortably padded. I really like that this also provides a cover flap for the wheels so you don't get dirty when you convert to a backpack. It was the only bag I found that does that. It was tight to get my 15.4" laptop in the special pocket, but after a few times, it is getting easier. The orange lining makes it easier to see what is inside, although I would prefer bright lime green to dark orange. The bag is big but stable. The way it is arranged, the weight is distributed for comfort. Once loaded, it is heavy, (but they all are) but carrying is seems easy. The bag also has the smoothest pull to it than any luggage I have ever tried and it maneuvers well without getting off balance and falling over. All in all, the best bag I have seen and/or used."

Was this review helpful to you? [Yes](#) [No](#)

- Frequency of Use: **Several Tim**
- Generally Used For: **Storage**
- Occupation: **Computer, IT or S**
- Gender **Female**

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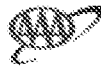
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